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SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Before we continue, in the south balcony Senator Robak has as her guests 18 third through fifth graders from Columbus Christian School with their teacher. (Introduced teacher.) Would you all please stand and be recognized and welcomed by your Legislature. Thank you for being here. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Chambers.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Will. Madam President, and members of the Legislature, what I was trying to get at, because we are getting close to cloture, we'll get there sometime, there are programs, which on their own merit, should be funded by the Legislature, and, ordinarily, I wouldn't even have a question in my mind about voting for them, and in voting against them, and then going the next step and speaking against them, and going the final step trying to defeat them will cause me some internal turmoil, but now I have to paint for myself a much broader picture. Should I do what I condemned Senator Dwite Pedersen for doing by saying what else happens in this session is so important that I ought to be willing to sacrifice the elderly, the infirm, and the impoverished, just so we can get other things enacted into law, conveniently, smoothly, and without hitch. I don't want the condemnation I put on him to apply with greater force to me. The reason it applies with greater force to me is because I apparently have a greater moral sensitivity than other people have. So where much is known, much is required. You all easily can sit back and trample the poor into the ground. I cannot. The example that I often give from Sir Thomas More was when his friends were trying to get him to go along with approving the King's divorce and subsequent remarriage, and they were telling him, Thomas, everybody else has done it; everybody has agreed, the churchmen, everybody. So he said, well, what do you need me for? And he was told, because not only are you a righteous man, but you're perceived to be righteous. And Thomas said, that's the very reason I can't do it. He said, come on, Thomas, join us for fellowship sake. And Thomas said, when we stand to be judged and you go to Heaven because you acted in accord with your conscience, and I am sent to Hell because I violated mine, will you come with me